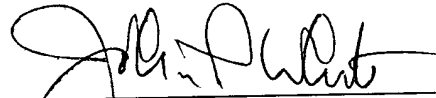


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Exhibit A

- 4. (Amended) The nucleic acid of any one of claims 1-2[3], wherein the gonadotropin receptor is a human luteinizing hormone/choriogonadotropin receptor and the soluble polypeptide is capable of binding to human luteinizing hormone or human chorionic gonadotropin.--
- 7. (Amended) The nucleic acid of any one of claims 1-2[3], wherein gonadotropin receptor is a human follicle stimulating hormone receptor and the soluble polypeptide is capable of binding to human follicle stimulating hormone.
- 16. (Amended) A replicable vector which comprises the nucleic acid of any one of claims 1-2[3].
- 26. (Amended) A soluble polypeptide encoded by the nucleic acid of any one of claims 1-2[3].